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CO	Michael Bennet John Hickenlooper	Ken Buck (04)	Meat and Poultry Intermediary Lending Program	Morgan County Economic Development Corporation	\$5,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to help capitalize a revolving loan fund. The Morgan County Economic Development Corporation (MCEDC) will initially use the loan funds to assist with expansion of a livestock producer processing plant that markets a quarter, one-half, and whole beef directly to consumers, as well as providing value added wholesale and retail meat products. The facility capacity is projecting to increase from 24 to 100 head of beef per week, and add a curing/smoking facility. The expansion anticipates creating 25-30 new jobs. MCEDC will use revolving loan funds to assist start-up and current businesses with processing, storage, packaging, and transportation in Morgan County Colorado.
CO	Michael Bennet John Hickenlooper	Lauren Boebert (03) Brittany Pettersen (07)	Meat and Poultry Intermediary Lending Program	Fremont County Economic Development Corporation	\$10,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to capitalize a revolving loan fund. The Fremont County Economic Development Corporation (FEDC) will initially use the loan fund to assist Fremont County's only USDA-approved meat processing center to expand buildings and infrastructure, improving meat quality and ease of purchase for Coloradans. FEDC will use revolving loan funds to assist farmers and food businesses to expand in Fremont, Conejos, and Mesa counties in Colorado. It is anticipated that 40 new jobs will be created through this funding.
CT NY MA	Richard Blumenthal Christopher Murphy (CT), Charles Schumer Kirsten Gillibrand (NY), Ed Markey Elizabeth Warren (MA)	Jahana Hayes (CT 05), Marc Molinaro (NY 19), Pat Ryan (NY 18), Elise Stefanik (NY 21), Richard Neal (MA 01)	Meat and Poultry Intermediary Lending Program	Berkshire Agricultural Ventures Inc.	\$630,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to help capitalize a revolving loan fund to support local farms and food businesses. Berkshire Agricultural Ventures' (BAV) provides support to farmers and food businesses in its service area by offering financing options, technical support, and business assistance. The BAV service area includes: Berkshire County, Massachusetts; Columbia and Dutchess counties, New York; and Litchfield counties, Connecticut, four counties in three different states.



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IN	Todd Young Mike Braun	Frank Mrvan (01), Erin Houchin (09), Jim Banks (03), Larry Bucshon (08), Andre Carson (07), Victoria Spartz (05), Rudy Yakym (02), Greg Pence (06), Jim Baird (04)	Meat and Poultry Intermediary Lending Program	Indiana Office of Comm and Rural Affairs	\$15,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to capitalize a revolving loan fund to assist small and very small Indiana meat packers and processors with access to affordable capital for meat expansion projects. Meat expansion projects will add local job opportunities and tax revenues for local communities and the State of Indiana. The Indiana State Department of Agriculture is partnering with Indiana Finance Authority to establish the loan fund.
MD	Ben Cardin Chris Van Hollen	Jamie Raskin (08), Dutch Ruppersberger (02), Andy Harris (01), David Trone (06), Steny Hoyer (05), John Sarbanes (03), Kweisi Mfume (07), Glenn Ivey (04)	Meat and Poultry Intermediary Lending Program	Maryland Agricultural and Resourced-Based Industry Development Corporation	\$3,800,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to help capitalize a revolving loan fund. This project will initially be targeted at new and expanding large animal (red meat) processing operations and at least one Blue Catfish processor. The Maryland Agricultural and Resourced-Based Industry Development Corporation is a state instrumentality that provides economic development financing for Maryland's agriculture, seafood, and forestry industries.



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MN MT ND SD WI	Amy Klobuchar Tina Smith (MN) Jon Tester Steve Daines (MT) John Hoeven Kevin Cramer (ND) John Thune Mike Rounds (SD) Ron Johnson Tammy Baldwin (WI)	Angie Craig (MN 02), Tom Emmer (MN 06), Brad Finstad (MN 01), Betty McCollum (MN 04), Ilhan Omar (MN 05), Dean Phillips (MN 03), Pete Stauber (MN 08), Ryan Zinke (MT 01), Kelly Armstrong (ND At Large), Dusty Johnson (SD At Large), Scott Fitzgerald (WI 05), Mike Gallagher (WI 08), Glenn Grothman (WI 06), Gwen Moore (WI 04), Mark Pocan (WI 02), Bryan Steil (WI 01), Tom Tiffany (WI 07), Derrick Van Orden (WI 03)	Meat and Poultry Intermediary Lending Program	Farmers Union Foundation	\$834,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to help capitalize a revolving loan fund for independent small- and medium sized meat processors. The funds will be available for use throughout a five-state region of Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.
MT	Jon Tester Steve Daines	Ryan Zinke (01)	Meat and Poultry Intermediary Lending Program	Jobs Now Inc.	\$15,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to provide capital to a revolving loan fund for Jobs Now Inc., dba Mountain West Economic Development. The revolving loan funds will involve multiple utility recipients and be focused on meat and poultry processing and packaging facility operations in the Flathead Valley of Montana.
ND	John Hoeven Kevin Cramer	Kelly Armstrong (At Large)	Meat and Poultry Intermediary Lending Program	Oyate Community Development Corporation	\$15,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to capitalize a revolving loan fund that will help support the meat and poultry industry within the eight districts that make up the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. The revolving loan fund is expected to have a large impact and improve the economic conditions. The Oyate Community Development Corporation staff have extensive experience in agricultural and business lending.
ND	John Hoeven Kevin Cramer	Kelly Armstrong (At Large)	Meat and Poultry Intermediary Lending Program	Rural Development Finance Corporation	\$10,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to capitalize a revolving loan fund. The revolving loan fund will provide meat and poultry processors increased access to low interest financing to expand their meat processing capacity.



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OH	Sherrod Brown J.D. Vance	Brad Wenstrup (02)	Meat and Poultry Intermediary Lending Program	South Central Development Company	\$2,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to capitalize a revolving loan fund that will help provide financing for expansion for meat processing. The revolving loan fund will focus on reducing supply chain bottlenecks for the slaughter and processing areas.
GA	Jon Ossoff Raphael Warnock	Hank Johnson (04)	Meat and Poultry Processing Expansion Program	The Spotted Trotter	\$1,500,684	This Rural Development investment will be used to offset costs associated with the expansion into a facility located in Decatur, Georgia. The project will expand The Spotted Trotter's curing capacity and add a slicing and packaging line. The improvements will help the boutique charcuterie house meet the demand for modified atmosphere packaging slice packs to grocery stores. The Spotted Trotter is a recognized, diversified brand selling its charcuterie products throughout the United States.
IA	Charles Grassley Joni Ernst	Randy Feenstra (04)	Meat and Poultry Processing Expansion Program	Cattlemen's Heritage Beef Company LLC	\$25,000,000	This Rural Development investment will be used to help offset the costs associated with commissioning the new beef processing plant. Cattlemen's Heritage Beef Company LLC is a startup enterprise. Funds will be used for equipment for the new 500,000 square foot facility in Mills County, Iowa, southeast of the Omaha/Council Bluffs area. When the facility reaches capacity it is projected to process 1,500 head of cattle per day, increasing access to U.S. meat products.
MI	Debbie Stabenow Gary Peters	Debbie Dingell (06)	Meat and Poultry Processing Expansion Program	Swift Run Station LLC	\$2,038,550	This Rural Development investment will be used to help construct and equip a new meat and poultry processing and retail facility. The new facility will have three independent business entities operating separately. Mighty Fine Poultry Processing LLC will occupy space for poultry slaughter and processing. Retro Meats Company LLC will occupy space for red meat processing, and Swift Run Market LLC will occupy space designed for further processing and sales of these fresh local meat products. Together these activities are expected to increase demand for animals, increase opportunities for producers to access value-added markets, and collectively to improve the viability of the processing operations. Swift Run station LLC is located in Ann Arbor, Michigan.



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TN	Marsha Blackburn Bill Hagerty	Diana Harshbarger (01)	Meat and Poultry Processing Expansion Program	Appalachian Producers Cooperative	\$2,674,361	This Rural Development investment will be used to assist Appalachian Producers Cooperative offset costs associated with the constructing and equipping a new 15,000 square foot meat processing facility in Telford, Tennessee, an area with large demand for meat processing. Livestock owners in the area currently wait 12-18 months for animal processing whereas the new facility will process 25 head per day, reduce the current wait time for customers, provide greater regional access to food products, and enhance the profitability and sustainability of family farms throughout the region. Appalachian Producers Cooperative is a farmer-owned cooperative which will operate the USDA-inspected facility.
TX	John Cornyn Ted Cruz	Jodey Arrington (19)	Meat and Poultry Processing Expansion Program	TBP LLC	\$6,901,550	This Rural Development investment will be used to help offset the costs associated with renovating the Great Western Packing Company near Morton, Texas. When renovated, the facility expects to process over 500 cattle per day relieving a meat processing bottleneck that the has been impacting the West Texas and Eastern New Mexico dairy and ranching industries. This Rural Development investment will be used to help offset the costs associated with renovating the Great Western Packing Company near Morton, Texas. When renovated, the facility expects to process over 500 cattle per day reliving a meat processing bottleneck that the has been impacting the West Texas and Eastern New Mexico dairy and ranching industries.
				Total:	\$115,379,145	